

REMARKS:

Claims 1-13 and 46 - 48 are presented for examination. Of note, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims, as amended, continue to recite subject matter directed to what the examiner had referred to as "Invention I" in the Restriction Requirement issued June 27, 2002 in the above-identified application.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of claim 5 and dependent claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. As suggested by the examiner, claim 14 has been amended hereby to recite that the "slot extending substantially from ..."


It is noted that this Amendment is fully supported by the originally filed application and thus, no new matter has been added.

Based on the pending July 17, 2003 Office Action where the Examiner expressly states that the pending claims "are allowed," Applicant respectfully submits that the current amendment to the claims in no way should change the Examiner's decision. For this reason, applicant respectfully requests that the a "Notice of Allowance" be promptly issued.

Respectfully submitted,
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